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INTRODUCTION.

Victoria is situated at the south-eastern extremity of the Australian continent of which it occupies about a thirty-fourth part, and contains about 87,884 square miles. It lies approximately between the 34th and 39th parallels of south latitude and the 141st and 150th meridians of east longitude. Its greatest length from east to west is about 493 miles, its greatest breadth about 290 miles and its extent of coast-line (including the length around Port Phillip Bay, Western Port, and Corner Inlet) 980 miles. It is bounded on the north and north-east by New South Wales from which it is separated by the River Murray and by a straight line in a south-easterly direction from a place near the head-waters of that stream, called The Springs, to Cape Howe. On the west it is bounded by South Australia and on the south and south-east its shores are washed by the Southern Ocean, Bass Strait, and the Pacific Ocean.

The climate of Victoria is characterized by warm summers, rather cold winters, and rain in all months. Mean temperatures in midsummer (January) range from 65 deg. (Fahr.) in the south to 75 deg. (Fahr.) in the north-west, corresponding means of daily maxima being 80 deg. (Fahr.) in the south and 90 deg. (Fahr.) in the north-west. In midwinter (July) the mean temperature is generally below 50 deg. (Fahr.), mean of the night minima being below 40 deg. (Fahr.).

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STATISTICS OF VICTORIA

I.—POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS.

VICTORIA—POPULATION.

Period.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Census—			
1901 (31st March)	603,720	597,350	1,201,070
1911 (3rd April)	655,591	659,960	1,315,551
1921 (4th April)	754,724	776,556	1,531,280
1933 (30th June)	903,244	917,017	1,820,261
1947 (30th June)	1,013,867	1,040,834	2,054,701
At 31st December—			
1942 (a)	970,887	991,771	1,962,658
1943 (a)	979,884	1,002,005	1,981,889
1944 (a)	987,323	1,010,997	1,998,320
1945 (a)	995,333	1,020,250	2,015,583
1946 (a)	1,006,990	1,033,291	2,040,281
1947 (a)	1,016,950	1,044,739	2,061,689
1948 (a)	1,040,640	1,065,675	2,106,315
At 30th June, 1949 (a)	1,058,044	1,081,080	2,139,124

(a) Subject to revision.

Note.—Particulars are estimated in respect of dates other than census dates.

VICTORIA—MARRIAGES, BIRTHS, AND DEATHS.

Period.	Number of—				Rate per 1,000 of Population.(a)			Infantile Mortality.
	Marriages.	Births.	Deaths.	Deaths under One Year.	Marriage.	Birth.	Death.	Deaths under One Year per 1,000 Births.
Year ended 31st December—								
1944	17,857	39,358	20,502	1,258	8·97	19·78	10·30	31·96
1945	16,501	41,200	20,496	1,155	8·22	20·53	10·21	28·03
1946	21,405	46,693	21,534	1,268	10·57	23·05	10·63	27·16
1947	20,437	47,366	21,442	1,245	9·95	23·06	10·44	26·28
1948	20,035	46,099	21,825	1,103	9·59	22·06	10·44	23·93
					Equivalent Annual Rate per 1,000 of Population.			
1949—								
March Quarter	5,160	11,591	4,606	256	9·80	22·01	8·75	22·09
June Quarter	5,136	11,003	5,525	234	9·66	20·69	10·39	21·27

(a) Subject to revision.

VICTORIA—PRINCIPAL CAUSES OF DEATH.

Cause of Death.	Year Ended 31st December—		June Quarter—	
	1947.	1948.	1948.	1949.
Tuberculosis	677	641	150	143
Cancer	2,908	2,895	732	810
Diabetes	437	453	122	132
Cerebral Haemorrhage, &c. ..	2,338	2,446	616	597
Diseases of the Heart	6,728	7,093	1,725	1,825
Arteriosclerosis	551	473	114	131
Pneumonia and Broncho-pneumonia ..	1,140	1,242	275	263
Nephritis	1,178	1,143	278	264
Diseases Peculiar to the First Year of Life ..	724	637	158	143
Senility	563	585	152	142
Accidental Deaths	982	961	228	239

II.—LABOUR AND INDUSTRIAL.

VICTORIA—WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVIL EMPLOYMENT.
(Thousands.)

Month.	Total Employment.(a)			Total Employment in Main Industrial Groups.						
	Government Employment. (b)	Private Employment.	Total.	Mining and Quarrying.	Factories. (c)	Building and Construction.	Transport and Communication.	Retail Trade.	Other Commerce and Finance.	Professional and Personal Services. (d)
MALES.										
1933—June ..	73.2	215.4	288.6	4.1	(e)	38.7	42.3	65.3		32.8
1939—July ..	90.0	267.5	357.5	5.5	128.4	36.4	45.4	75.9		35.9
1941—July ..	106.8	296.6	403.4	5.8	166.6	40.5	48.4	28.8	34.0	35.1
1942—June ..	113.8	261.7	375.5	4.6	167.0	29.2	47.4	22.5	27.7	30.3
1943—June ..	107.0	248.2	355.2	3.7	168.5	16.2	46.0	20.2	24.9	28.1
1944—June ..	106.5	245.6	352.1	3.4	167.0	16.6	45.5	20.3	26.0	30.0
1945—August ..	106.2	254.6	360.8	3.6	166.7	21.7	47.3	22.3	28.1	32.1
1946—June ..	115.2	302.7	417.9	4.4	179.8	32.0	55.0	29.6	37.9	38.1
1947—June ..	125.9	326.7	452.6	4.5	184.3	38.4	59.8	32.7	43.4	42.4
1948—June ..	131.7	341.6	473.3	4.8	192.7	42.1	62.4	34.6	46.1	44.4
1949—January ..	133.1	347.6	480.7	4.7	192.1	43.1	64.1	35.2	47.6	45.4
June ..	138.1	351.5	489.6	4.8	193.4	46.2	66.2	35.4	47.9	46.4
July ..	137.9	349.4	487.3	4.1	192.7	46.2	66.5	35.4	47.1	45.6
August ..	139.9	349.1	489.0	4.9	193.0	46.9	65.6	35.4	47.4	45.9
September ..	140.8	351.2	492.0	4.8	195.2	47.5	66.2	35.7	48.2	46.2
FEMALES.										
1933—June ..	13.9	104.3	118.2	..	(e)	0.2	3.3	26.6		36.9
1939—July ..	16.8	126.1	142.9	0.1	63.9	0.3	3.3	30.8		34.3
1941—July ..	25.8	160.2	186.0	0.1	79.1	0.4	5.9	29.7	12.1	42.3
1942—June ..	37.1	161.4	198.5	0.2	82.7	0.5	8.1	29.9	14.4	43.5
1943—June ..	45.8	159.6	205.4	0.1	86.1	0.5	11.0	28.0	14.2	44.1
1944—June ..	44.4	153.9	198.3	0.1	82.4	0.5	11.2	26.7	14.4	44.9
1945—August ..	40.7	151.6	192.3	0.1	79.9	0.5	10.9	26.6	14.6	46.0
1946—June ..	30.6	153.1	183.7	0.1	75.2	0.6	9.4	27.4	13.9	47.7
1947—June ..	30.0	160.5	190.5	0.1	76.5	0.7	9.6	28.6	14.5	50.6
1948—June ..	30.4	166.3	196.7	0.1	79.1	0.8	10.4	29.9	15.4	52.5
1949—January ..	30.1	168.8	198.9	0.1	79.5	0.8	11.0	30.6	15.7	52.6
June ..	31.4	171.3	202.7	0.1	81.3	0.9	11.4	30.8	16.4	53.3
July ..	31.3	170.7	202.0	0.1	80.9	0.9	11.2	30.7	16.2	53.2
August ..	31.5	170.5	202.0	0.1	80.9	0.9	11.3	30.4	16.2	53.5
September ..	31.5	171.2	202.7	0.1	82.0	0.9	11.1	30.5	16.6	53.5
PERSONS.										
1933—June ..	87.1	319.7	406.8	4.1	137.1	38.9	45.6	91.9		69.7
1939—July ..	106.8	393.6	500.4	5.6	192.3	36.7	48.7	106.7		70.2
1941—July ..	132.6	456.8	589.4	5.9	245.7	40.9	54.3	58.5	46.1	77.4
1942—June ..	150.9	423.1	574.0	4.8	249.7	29.7	55.5	52.4	42.1	73.8
1943—June ..	152.8	407.8	560.6	3.8	254.6	16.7	57.0	48.2	39.1	72.2
1944—June ..	150.9	399.5	550.4	3.5	249.4	17.1	56.7	47.0	40.4	74.9
1945—August ..	146.9	406.2	553.1	3.7	246.6	22.2	58.2	48.9	42.7	78.1
1946—June ..	145.8	455.8	601.6	4.5	255.0	32.6	64.4	57.0	51.8	85.8
1947—June ..	155.9	487.2	643.1	4.6	260.8	39.1	69.4	61.3	57.9	93.0
1948—June ..	162.1	507.9	670.0	4.9	271.8	42.9	72.8	64.5	61.5	96.9
1949—January ..	163.2	516.4	679.6	4.8	271.6	43.9	75.1	65.8	63.3	98.0
June ..	169.5	522.8	692.3	4.9	274.7	47.1	77.6	66.2	64.3	99.7
July ..	169.2	520.1	689.3	4.2	273.6	47.1	77.7	66.1	63.3	98.8
August ..	171.4	519.6	691.0	5.0	273.9	47.8	76.9	65.8	63.6	99.4
September ..	172.3	522.4	694.7	4.9	277.2	48.4	77.3	66.2	64.8	99.7

(a) Excluding wage earners in rural industry, female domestics in private household, Defence Forces at home or abroad, and Government "relief" workers. Estimated total employment is based on Pay-roll Tax returns and records of Government employment. All figures for months subsequent to May, 1945 (Factories, June, 1947) subject to revision.

(b) Civilian employees of Commonwealth, State, Local and Semi-Government, and Allied Government Authorities.

(c) From July, 1948, the monthly figures are estimates subject to revision.

(d) Includes Law and Order, Religion, &c., Health, Education, Other Professional Services, Entertainment, &c. and Personal Service (Hotels, Restaurants, &c., excluding female private domestic).

(e) Not available.

VICTORIA—UNEMPLOYMENT IN TRADE UNIONS.

The quarterly figures show the number of persons who were reported out of work for three days or more during a specified week in each quarter; they include sickness but not persons out of work through strikes or lockouts, except those outside the industry concerned who are indirectly affected. The annual figures represent the average of the four quarters.

Period.	Trade Unions.		Trade Unions Reporting.		Unemployed in Trade Unions Reporting.	
	Total Number.	Total Membership.	Number.	Membership.	Number.	Percentage.
1938 Year	147	215,021	79	124,184	10,718	8·6
1939	149	216,803	78	125,628	13,032	10·4
1940	147	232,288	77	131,105	7,573	5·8
1941	146	270,343	79	151,902	3,742	2·5
1942	142	302,782	79	176,749	2,032	1·2
1943	142	311,791	77	196,784	1,356	0·7
1944	141	314,952	77	194,387	1,634	0·8
1945	139	306,649	77	186,112	1,548	0·9
1946	138	324,380	75	191,632	2,400	1·3
1947	137	337,502	74	204,500	2,423	1·2
1948	136	363,661	74	212,831	1,762	0·8
1932—June Quarter (a) .. .. .	..	..	81	117,083	32,395	27·7
1948—March Quarter .. .. .	..	..	74	209,438	1,611	0·8
June Quarter .. .. .	..	..	74	209,455	1,742	0·8
September Quarter .. .. .	..	..	74	214,461	2,117	1·0
December Quarter .. .. .	..	..	74	217,970	1,577	0·7
1949—March Quarter .. .. .	..	..	74	221,521	1,598	0·7
June Quarter .. .. .	..	..	74	223,440	1,839	0·8
September Quarter .. .. .	..	..	74	221,225	2,032	0·9

(a) Peak of unemployment.

Note.—The unions covered by the returns, which are furnished to the Commonwealth Statistician, represent about 60 per cent. of the total membership of unions, and relate to between 20 and 25 per cent. of all wage and salary earners. The value of the percentages of unemployment derived from Trade Union returns is in the indication they give of the trend of unemployment among trade unionists as reported by secretaries of Trade Unions.

VICTORIA—BASIC WEEKLY WAGE RATES FIXED BY COMMONWEALTH COURT OF CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION. (a)
(Adult Males.)

Payable as from the Beginning of First Pay Period in—	Melbourne.	Ballarat.	Bendigo.	Geelong.	Warrnambool.	Five Towns—Weighted Average.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1939—September	81 0	77 0	76 0	80 0	80 0	80 0
1947—February	107 0	101 0	103 0	104 0	107 0	106 0
May	107 0	102 0	103 0	106 0	107 0	107 0
August	108 0	104 0	104 0	107 0	108 0	108 0
November	109 0	104 0	105 0	108 0	109 0	109 0
1948—February	113 0	108 0	108 0	111 0	112 0	112 0
May	115 0	110 0	111 0	113 0	114 0	114 0
August	117 0	112 0	112 0	115 0	116 0	116 0
November	120 0	115 0	115 0	119 0	119 0	120 0
1949—February	123 0	119 0	118 0	121 0	122 0	123 0
May	125 0	120 0	120 0	123 0	123 0	124 0
August	128 0	124 0	124 0	126 0	127 0	128 0
November	130 0	125 0	125 0	128 0	128 0	129 0

(a) "Court" Series Index-Numbers. Includes "prosperity loadings" (6s. per week).

Note.—For information relating to the basic wage payable in a specified industry, reference should be made to the Court Award or the State Wages Board Determination or the Award or Determination of any Special Industrial Tribunal appointed to deal with wages and conditions in respect of that industry.

III.—PRICE INDEXES.

VICTORIA—ALL ITEMS ("C" SERIES) RETAIL PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS (COST OF FOOD, GROCERIES, HOUSING—4 AND 5 ROOMS, CLOTHING AND MISCELLANEOUS HOUSEHOLD REQUIREMENTS).

(Base: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities of Australia, 1923-27=1,000.)

Period.	Melbourne.	Ballarat.	Bendigo.	Geelong.	Warrnam- bool.	Five Towns— Weighted Average.
November 1914 ..	671	..	..	..	..	..
.. 1921 ..	1,003	992	1,002	1,019	1,034	1,003
Year 1932 ..	813	776	808	794	838	811
.. 1939 ..	924	874	875	911	918	920
.. 1940 ..	964	906	920	941	954	960
.. 1941 ..	1,008	950	963	984	998	1,004
.. 1942 ..	1,100	1,037	1,054	1,065	1,078	1,095
.. 1943 ..	1,139	1,084	1,096	1,110	1,126	1,135
.. 1944 ..	1,135	1,083	1,101	1,112	1,129	1,131
.. 1945 ..	1,135	1,086	1,099	1,113	1,139	1,131
.. 1946 ..	1,149	1,094	1,107	1,124	1,153	1,145
.. 1947 ..	1,188	1,132	1,141	1,170	1,186	1,184
.. 1948 ..	1,294	1,243	1,244	1,278	1,283	1,290
1947—March Quarter	1,159	1,104	1,118	1,144	1,164	1,156
June Quarter	1,175	1,123	1,130	1,161	1,175	1,171
September Qr.	1,189	1,132	1,139	1,170	1,185	1,185
December Qr.	1,227	1,170	1,177	1,203	1,219	1,223
1948—March Quarter	1,249	1,199	1,206	1,233	1,240	1,246
June Quarter	1,272	1,222	1,222	1,256	1,266	1,268
September Qr.	1,309	1,256	1,256	1,296	1,297	1,305
December Qr.	1,345	1,294	1,290	1,325	1,329	1,341
1949—March Quarter	1,363	1,315	1,314	1,344	1,349	1,359
June Quarter..	1,402	1,355	1,355	1,385	1,387	1,399
September Qr.	1,422	1,369	1,366	1,401	1,404	1,417

Note.—The above index has been computed by the Commonwealth Statistician.

MELBOURNE WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

The index of wholesale prices was first computed by the Commonwealth Statistician in 1912 and relates chiefly to basic materials and foods weighted in accordance with consumption in the years immediately preceding that date. Neither the component items nor the weighting have been varied. Consequently the index is a measure of changes in wholesale price levels based on usages which have altered substantially since the period on which the weighting was determined. As such it is useful as an indication of long-term trends over the past 88 years which it covers, on the assumption that the relative importance of component items remained constant. But it no longer serves as a measure of price variations from month to month or from year to year of commodities weighted in accordance with present-day consumption. Reference to a description of the index published in the annual *Labour Report*, issued by the Commonwealth Statistician, will indicate that animal fodders preponderate in the "Agricultural Produce" group, while "Building Materials" include little besides imported timber. In other groups, some principal items have increased in consumption while others have decreased. A new wholesale price index, covering basic materials and foodstuffs, has therefore been computed, in which the items have been regrouped and reweighted as indicated, and comparative index-numbers back to 1928-29 are published in the next statement.

MELBOURNE WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

(Base : 1911 = 1,000.)

Period.	Metals and Coal.	Wool, Cotton, Leather, &c.	Agricultural Produce, &c.	Dairy Produce.	Groceries.	Meat.	Building Materials.	Chemicals.	All Groups.
1861 Year ..	1,438	1,381	1,583	1,008	1,963	..	1,070	2,030	1,538
1871 " ..	1,096	1,257	1,236	864	1,586	..	1,044	1,409	1,220
1881 " ..	1,178	1,115	1,012	935	1,421	..	1,091	1,587	1,121
1891 " ..	895	847	1,024	995	1,032	888	780	1,194	945
1901 " ..	1,061	774	928	1,029	1,048	1,345	841	917	974
1911 " ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1921 " ..	2,173	1,362	1,767	2,000	1,976	2,158	2,733	2,303	1,903
1931 " ..	1,826	1,039	1,121	1,399	1,794	1,508	2,025	2,166	1,428
1939 " ..	1,758	1,101	1,820	1,557	1,752	1,710	2,220	2,075	1,665
1941 " ..	1,960	1,402	1,721	1,554	1,884	1,776	3,138	2,527	1,796
1942 " ..	2,146	1,507	1,900	1,665	1,938	2,312	3,409	2,437	1,977
1943 " ..	2,272	1,945	1,964	1,716	1,939	2,366	3,764	2,442	2,117
1944 " ..	2,278	1,967	2,052	1,721	1,949	2,470	3,768	2,442	2,159
1945 " ..	2,270	1,960	2,259	1,726	1,967	2,560	3,770	2,527	2,228
1946 " ..	2,262	2,062	1,950	1,722	1,977	2,589	3,772	2,614	2,163
1947 " ..	2,390	2,690	2,019	1,763	2,174	2,748	3,800	2,843	2,360
1948 " ..	2,829	3,619	2,383	2,104	2,435	2,976	4,631	3,180	2,824

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS—BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS.

Following a conference of Statisticians in 1930 an index by the Commonwealth Statistician has been computed from new data on prices and consumption. Both in contents and method of computation it differs from the Melbourne Index of Wholesale Prices published in the foregoing statement. The price quotations have in the main been obtained directly from manufacturers and merchants, and, with a few important exceptions, from Melbourne sources. Apart from home-produced building materials, coal and one or two minor commodities, however, the price movements may be taken as representative of fluctuations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets. The weighting system adopted is based on average annual consumption during the years 1928-29 to 1934-35 inclusive.

(Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.)

Period.	Metals and Coal.	Oils, Fats, and Waxes.	Textiles.	Chemicals.	Rubber and Hides.	Building Materials.	Foodstuffs and Tobacco.	Goods Principally Imported. (a)	Goods Principally Home Produced.	All Groups.
1928-29 Year	1,269	1,064	1,288	1,214	1,148	948	1,070	911	1,183	1,103
1931-32 "	1,081	1,134	765	1,195	738	951	857	996	932	946
1938-39 "	1,025	1,004	815	1,011	925	970	1,029	991	1,020	1,011
1940-41 "	1,074	1,374	1,105	1,236	1,256	1,284	1,069	1,325	1,060	1,140
1941-42 "	1,173	1,509	1,184	1,372	1,350	1,352	1,169	1,525	1,123	1,242
1942-43 "	1,288	1,667	1,471	1,422	1,379	1,628	1,279	1,760	1,212	1,373
1943-44 "	1,310	1,695	1,501	1,432	1,398	1,743	1,287	(b) 1,823	1,217	1,396
1944-45 "	1,307	(b) 1,675	1,518	1,428	1,398	1,747	1,308	1,819	1,232	1,405
1945-46 "	1,302	1,561	1,518	1,416	1,398	1,766	1,348	1,782	1,257	1,412
1946-47 "	1,318	1,453	1,913	(b) 1,401	1,313	1,802	1,380	1,768	1,288	1,429
1947-48 "	1,460	1,607	2,833	1,478	(b) 1,261	(b) 1,898	(b) 1,532	1,924	(b) 1,448	(b) 1,588
1948-49 "	1,849	(b) 1,737	3,419	1,594	1,301	1,983	(b) 1,747	(b) 2,008	(b) 1,727	(b) 1,809
1948-49—										
July ..	1,651	1,724	3,323	1,533	1,361	1,948	(b) 1,614	2,000	(b) 1,573	(b) 1,699
August ..	1,651	1,724	3,328	1,537	1,347	1,952	(b) 1,699	2,025	(b) 1,629	(b) 1,745
September ..	1,697	1,733	3,371	1,538	1,347	1,964	(b) 1,689	2,017	(b) 1,639	(b) 1,750
October ..	1,697	1,734	3,197	1,593	1,347	1,964	(b) 1,688	2,015	(b) 1,636	(b) 1,747
November ..	1,876	1,734	3,484	1,592	1,349	1,966	(b) 1,735	2,008	(b) 1,724	(b) 1,807
December ..	1,876	1,734	3,650	1,595	1,312	1,985	(b) 1,761	2,010	(b) 1,751	(b) 1,827
January ..	1,936	(b) 1,741	3,639	1,623	1,275	1,986	(b) 1,765	(b) 2,011	(b) 1,769	(b) 1,840
February ..	1,936	(b) 1,741	3,721	1,623	1,268	1,986	(b) 1,801	(b) 2,016	(b) 1,797	(b) 1,861
March ..	1,965	(b) 1,741	3,721	1,623	1,250	2,002	(b) 1,798	(b) 2,000	(b) 1,809	(b) 1,865
April ..	1,966	(b) 1,744	3,197	1,623	1,265	2,002	(b) 1,805	(b) 2,005	(b) 1,795	(b) 1,856
May ..	1,966	(b) 1,746	3,196	1,623	1,250	(b) 2,017	(b) 1,809	(b) 2,002	(b) 1,801	(b) 1,859
June ..	1,966	(b) 1,746	3,200	1,623	1,247	2,021	(b) 1,805	(b) 1,991	(b) 1,803	(b) 1,858
1949-50—										
July ..	2,090	1,745	3,313	1,624	1,185	2,021	1,844	2,057	1,834	1,900
August ..	2,090	1,745	3,385	1,624	1,210	2,053	1,839	2,065	1,834	1,902
September ..	2,091	1,726	3,337	1,624	1,231	2,079	1,834	2,041	1,838	1,898

(a) Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the wholesale price index. This index does not measure changes in price of imports generally. (b) Revised figures.

IV.—COMMONWEALTH SOCIAL SERVICES AND REPATRIATION BENEFITS IN VICTORIA.

Period.	Pensioners at End of Period.		Widows Pensions (b) in Force at End of Period.		Maternity Allow- ances (c) Granted During Period.	Child Endowment (e)	
	Age.	Invalid.	Main- taining a Child.	Not Main- taining a Child.		Claims Current at End of Period.	Endowed Children at End of Period.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1913-14 Year ..	27,150	4,844	..	..	(d)	..	..
1920-21	30,385	11,174	..	..	36,778	..	..
1930-31	49,999	19,925	..	..	32,241	..	..
1938-39	(a)67,896	(a)19,471	..	..	20,819	..	..
1940-41	76,371	12,447	..	..	19,150	..	..
1941-42	75,240	12,550	..	..	16,120	124,463	219,680
1942-43	72,102	11,938	3,574	7,136	11,874	124,986	218,551
1943-44	69,156	12,446	3,684	8,283	38,653	128,381	220,884
1944-45	67,240	12,598	3,575	9,039	40,582	131,526	224,146
1945-46	69,308	13,599	3,565	9,183	40,991	135,377	229,982
1946-47	74,770	14,673	3,732	8,579	50,730	141,826	240,810
1947-48	78,057	15,165	4,010	7,249	46,027	148,249	251,145
1948-49	81,753	15,575	3,937	7,227	46,309	157,625	265,672
1st July, 1949, to 12th September, 1949	81,673	15,566	3,976	7,243	9,615	159,227	268,195

(a) During 1939-40 all invalid pensions in force were specially reviewed and, at 30th June, 1940, all those pensioners who had become qualified for age pensions by age and residence were transferred to the age pensions list.

(b) Commenced from 1st July, 1942.

(c) The income restrictions imposed in 1931 and 1932 and modified in 1934, 1936, and 1937 were abolished as from 1st July, 1943.

(d) Not available.

(e) Commenced from 1st July, 1941. Particulars exclude endowed children in approved institutions.

Period.	Unemployment Benefits.(a)				Sickness Benefits.(a)			
	Entrances During Period.		On Benefit at End of Period.		Entrances During Period.		On Benefit at End of Period.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1945-46 Year ..	2,632	63	564	15	8,246	1,923	1,387	403
1946-47	15,645	542	641	26	11,226	3,324	1,819	649
1947-48	971	58	65	1	12,742	4,363	1,757	749
1948-49	248	40	40	11	12,525	4,187	2,548	896
1948-49—								
July	44	7	49	4	1,624	547	1,950	797
August	34	1	35	3	1,100	398	1,953	840
September ..	25	4	26	3	1,080	324	1,976	810
October	19	4	29	5	1,191	417	1,936	793
November ..	12	5	22	4	925	331	1,957	787
December ..	16	3	27	2	830	291	1,892	745
January	13	3	20	5	854	286	2,006	773
February ..	23	..	15	3	907	305	2,060	801
March	11	3	17	4	898	327	2,101	845
April	14	3	20	6	1,113	365	2,215	845
May	14	2	25	8	1,016	328	2,381	921
June	23	5	40	11	987	268	2,548	896

(a) Commenced from 1st July, 1945.

Period.	War Pensions.				Service Pensions.(a)	
	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependants of Deceased Members of Forces.	Dependants of Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Total.	Members of Forces.	Dependants of Members of Forces.
At 30th June—	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1921	26,053	15,410	33,338	74,801	..	..
1931	25,066	10,994	60,142	96,202	..	..
1939	25,569	8,412	48,264	82,245	1,876	1,330
1941	25,107	7,977	41,036	74,120	2,092	1,353
1942	25,375	8,493	38,435	72,303	3,034	1,462
1943	25,921	9,251	36,583	71,755	2,105	1,204
1944	27,552	10,114	35,802	73,468	2,071	1,193
1945	30,138	10,755	37,334	78,227	2,145	1,148
1946	36,020	13,157	43,849	93,026	2,296	1,106
1947	39,711	13,167	48,101	100,979	2,589	1,134
1948	41,931	13,285	51,648	106,864	2,793	1,192
1949	44,025	13,486	55,737	113,248	2,736	1,154
At 30th September, 1949	44,601	13,476	57,146	115,223	2,743	1,152

(a) Commenced from 1st January, 1936.

Note.—Particulars are inclusive of war pensions in respect of 1914–1918 War and of service pensions in respect of the South African War and 1914–1918 War.

V.—SHIPPING AND COMMERCE.

VICTORIA—OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE SHIPPING: VESSELS AND TONNAGE ENTERED AND CLEARED.

Period.		Oversea.				Interstate (a).		Total.	
		Direct.		Via Other States.					
		Vessels.	Net Tonnage.	Vessels.	Net Tonnage.	Vessels.	Net Tonnage.	Vessels.	Net Tonnage.
<i>Entered.</i>									
			'000		'000		'000		'000
1938-39	Year ..	188	686	548	3,100	2,243	4,751	2,979	8,537
1946-47	" ..	196	895	274	1,381	1,209	2,568	1,679	4,844
1947-48	" ..	238	1,060	384	1,930	1,224	2,690	1,846	5,680
1948-49	" ..	322	1,461	456	2,522	1,290	3,072	2,068	7,055
1947-48—									
March Quarter	..	62	265	105	527	300	650	467	1,442
June Quarter	..	72	326	83	429	327	732	482	1,487
1948-49—									
September Quarter	..	71	308	102	568	304	692	477	1,568
December Quarter	..	72	315	116	619	346	841	534	1,775
March Quarter	..	86	381	122	680	323	778	531	1,839
June Quarter	..	93	457	116	655	317	761	526	1,873
<i>Cleared.</i>									
			'000		'000		'000		'000
1938-39	Year ..	195	757	495	2,886	2,299	4,837	2,989	8,480
1946-47	" ..	183	824	269	1,294	1,207	2,686	1,659	4,804
1947-48	" ..	223	984	325	1,540	1,277	3,084	1,825	5,608
1948-49	" ..	268	1,214	406	2,079	1,407	3,809	2,081	7,102
1947-48—									
March Quarter	..	64	273	81	406	318	748	463	1,427
June Quarter	..	69	303	85	391	340	837	494	1,531
1948-49—									
September Quarter	..	61	274	101	491	325	850	487	1,615
December Quarter	..	65	294	96	492	360	963	521	1,749
March Quarter	..	63	272	98	528	355	988	516	1,788
June Quarter	..	79	374	111	568	367	1,008	557	1,950

(a) Includes oversea vessels on interstate voyages.

Note.—The statement excludes particulars of vessels exclusively engaged in the transport of troops, war equipment and supplies.

OVERSEA TRADE—RECORDED VALUES OF IMPORTS INTO AND EXPORTS FROM VICTORIAN PORTS.

Period.	Merchandise.	Bullion and Specie.	Total.
IMPORTS.			
	£	£	£
BRITISH CURRENCY.			
Year ended 30th June—			
1939	35,015,419	439,917	35,455,336
1947	66,951,339	120,386	67,071,725
AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY.			
1948	120,503,712	96,292	120,600,004
1949 (a)	145,342,923	230,264	145,573,187
Three months ended 30th September,			
1949 (a)	38,172,429	302,409	38,474,838
EXPORTS (AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY).			
	£	£	£
Year ended 30th June—			
1939	28,387,611	2,431,401	30,819,012
1947	88,601,624	9,734	88,611,358
1948	115,357,695	605,844	115,963,539
1949 (a)	137,196,808	147,303	137,344,111
Three months ended 30th September,			
1949 (a)	25,072,795	2,315	25,075,110

(a) Subject to revision.

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES INTO VICTORIAN PORTS (SUBJECT TO REVISION).

(As a result of an amendment to the *Customs Act* 1901–1936, the basis of valuation of imports for duty was varied on the 15th November, 1947. Prior to that date imports were valued in British Currency and represented the F.O.B. value at Port of Shipment plus the statutory ten per centum imposed for value for duty purposes. From 15th November, 1947, the statutory ten per centum was eliminated and all imports were valued in Australian Currency, the value for duty of imports therefore represents the F.O.B. Value at Port of Shipment.)

Article.	Quarter Ended 30th September—		Year Ended 30th June—	
	1948.	1949.	1948.	1949.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN NOT INCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS—	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Fish—				
Preserved in Tins	314,567	39,412	716,206	626,669
Other	84,760	55,456	248,687	286,521
Other Animal Foodstuffs	26,745	42,256	165,497	185,450
Total, Class I.	426,072	137,124	1,130,390	1,098,640

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES INTO
VICTORIAN PORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Quarter Ended 30th September—		Year Ended 30th June—	
	1948.	1949.	1948.	1949.
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, ETC.—	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Nuts, Edible	79,944	92,285	373,505	290,308
Spices	27,430	71,508	187,496	115,096
Coffee and Chicory	99,665	39,016	107,079	223,767
Tea	626,019	796,609	3,904,171	2,759,615
Cocoa and Chocolate	247,817	346,322	779,874	747,715
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs, &c. ..	71,638	163,047	487,217	411,645
Total, Class II.	1,152,513	1,508,787	5,839,342	4,548,146
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS	58,562	35,825	165,556	217,794
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF—				
Tobacco—				
Unmanufactured	486,046	270,025	2,215,185	2,062,102
Manufactured	17,887	22,146	45,932	105,210
Cigarettes	236,776	301,681	507,867	1,084,679
Cigars, Snuff, &c.	638	4,344	5,351	21,017
Total, Class IV.	741,347	598,196	2,774,335	3,273,008
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS	43,732	30,445	133,242	168,168
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES, NOT FOODSTUFFS—				
Hides and Skins	114,175	83,594	641,655	382,131
Wool	32,924	80,495	456,705	343,301
Silk, Raw	118,177	13,861	406,749	386,701
Other Animal Substances	48,537	68,827	248,069	197,262
Total, Class VI.	313,813	246,777	1,753,178	1,309,395
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES—				
Seeds	27,077	82,706	370,974	394,022
Fibres	1,905,191	309,527	2,469,187	2,725,617
Gums, Resins, and Balsams	34,450	24,740	265,908	130,020
Cork and Cork Manufactures	28,286	30,039	154,484	101,085
Plastic Materials (except Fibres) ..	179,255	236,258	973,547	749,546
Other Vegetable Substances	140,836	92,351	420,474	442,184
Total, Class VII.	2,315,095	775,621	4,654,574	4,542,474

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES INTO
VICTORIAN PORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Quarter Ended 30th September—		Year Ended 30th June—	
	1948.	1949.	1948.	1949.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL—				
Yarns	2,230,217	1,127,762	4,839,941	6,338,419
Manufactured Fibres	450,161	577,540	3,566,354	2,830,175
Textiles—				
Piece Goods	6,098,240	5,353,370	20,129,150	22,304,110
Other	1,496,471	1,101,435	3,924,266	5,128,362
Apparel	1,104,616	1,259,224	3,245,505	4,988,950
Total, Class VIII. ..	11,379,705	9,419,331	35,705,216	41,590,016
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES—				
Linseed Oil	157,128	53,300	372,950	333,548
Paraffin Wax	74,777	23,066	272,280	154,810
Petroleum and Shale Oils—				
Petroleum	1,435,523	1,747,054	4,675,537	6,392,527
Kerosene	342,686	279,813	983,869	1,131,007
Residual	695,613	326,906	1,480,385	2,039,555
Solar	12,046	249,926	241,894	365,713
Lubricating (Mineral)	384,086	361,565	1,126,066	1,214,221
Other	55,944	40,473	202,875	214,997
Other Oils, Fats, and Waxes ..	154,912	106,723	758,560	433,390
Total, Class IX. ..	3,312,715	3,188,826	10,114,416	12,279,768
CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS, AND VARNISHES	203,210	183,874	594,279	753,116
CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS, ETC. ..	250,080	584,389	727,884	*1,625,868
CLASS XII.(a)—METALS AND MANU- FACTURES—				
Iron and Steel—				
Plate and Sheet	829,726	1,451,057	3,342,625	3,970,502
Other	112,328	504,835	358,554	670,920
Tools of Trade	146,336	183,767	707,221	630,759
Vehicles—				
Aircraft and Parts	427,214	220,108	1,233,371	1,762,571
Motor Cars, &c.—				
Complete	5,475	50,954	97,521	74,392
Bodies, Chassis, and Parts ..	2,964,083	4,274,083	7,601,056	12,832,232
Other Vehicles and Parts ..	253,996	391,696	1,123,458	1,306,540
Other Metals and Manufactures ..	968,569	1,474,158	3,351,098	4,355,714
Total, Class XII.(a) ..	5,707,727	8,550,658	17,814,904	25,603,630

* Including coal, £851,792 (207,196 tons).

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES INTO
VICTORIAN PORTS—*continued*.

Article.	Quarter Ended 30th September—		Year Ended 30th June—	
	1948.	1949.	1948.	1949.
CLASS XII.(b)—DYNAMO ELECTRICAL MACHINERY, APPLIANCES, EQUIP- MENT, ETC.—	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Dynamo Electrical Machinery ..	264,952	335,982	638,328	1,244,952
Wireless (Radio) Equipment ..	26,275	20,725	120,430	117,861
Other Electrical Machinery, &c. ..	862,967	992,602	1,980,503	3,462,772
Total, Class XII.(b) ..	1,154,194	1,349,309	2,739,261	4,825,585
CLASS XII.(c)—MACHINES AND MACHINERY (EXCEPT DYNAMO ELECTRICAL)—				
Motive Power Machinery and Appliances	900,160	1,732,256	3,266,751	5,203,705
Metal Working Machinery and Appliances	414,682	360,157	2,087,766	1,393,917
Roller and Ball Bearings	163,340	264,595	785,936	774,729
Other Machines and Machinery ..	1,422,405	2,513,023	4,873,024	7,841,061
Total, Class XII.(c) ..	2,900,587	4,870,031	11,013,477	15,213,412
Total, Class XII. ..	9,762,508	14,769,998	31,567,642	45,642,627
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF—				
Crude Rubber, Rubber Waste, Mas- ticated, &c.	493,494	370,574	1,466,227	1,593,319
Rubber Manufactures—				
Tyres, Pneumatic and Other ..	75,321	268,783	132,125	526,011
Elastics	52,364	38,294	386,336	153,521
Other	89,485	56,657	313,749	369,131
Leather and Leather Manufactures ..	59,359	41,452	224,836	221,135
Total, Class XIII. ..	770,023	775,760	2,523,273	2,863,117
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER—				
Timber	564,989	579,428	1,354,218	2,819,723
Other Wood and Wicker	58,475	74,240	194,147	248,220
Total, Class XIV. ..	623,464	653,668	1,548,365	3,067,943
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS, AND GLASSWARE—				
Glass and Glassware	251,565	253,994	1,046,351	887,243
Crockery and Household Ware ..	282,022	208,178	823,955	1,070,278
Other Earthenware, &c.	167,218	123,592	339,114	583,136
Total, Class XV. ..	700,805	585,764	2,209,420	2,540,657

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEAS COUNTRIES INTO
VICTORIAN PORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Quarter Ended 30th September—		Year Ended 30th June—	
	1948.	1949.	1948.	1949.
CLASS XVI.(a)—PULP, PAPER, AND BOARD—	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Pulp for Papermaking	521,840	115,505	1,044,277	1,270,862
Paper—				
Printing	273,200	462,218	2,595,374	1,766,453
Writing and Typewriting	125,489	51,527	1,019,607	365,921
Wrapping	168,852	73,618	774,703	575,504
Other	271,043	191,814	654,614	964,342
Millboards and Other Boards ..	70,844	61,827	531,174	340,640
Total, Class XVI.(a) ..	1,431,268	956,509	6,619,749	5,283,722
CLASS XVI.(b)—PAPER MANUFACTURES AND STATIONERY—				
Books (printed), Directories, &c. ..	218,548	285,209	964,129	967,291
Other Stationery, &c.	234,791	278,747	1,116,696	877,049
Total, Class XVI.(b) ..	453,339	563,956	2,080,825	1,844,340
Total, Class XVI. ..	1,884,607	1,520,465	8,700,574	7,128,062
CLASS XVII.—FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY AND TIMEPIECES—				
Fancy Goods, including Sporting Materials and Toys	200,503	255,030	555,937	761,180
Jewellery	157,674	96,533	457,667	544,257
Timepieces	108,592	187,874	478,518	540,260
Total, Class XVII. ..	466,769	539,437	1,492,122	1,845,697
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL, AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS	314,133	333,973	1,093,248	1,348,665
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, FERTILIZERS, AND CHEMICALS—				
Drugs and Chemicals	961,849	713,300	2,910,433	3,613,100
Fertilizers	243,429	283,484	735,485	829,645
Total, Class XIX. ..	1,205,278	996,784	3,645,918	4,442,745
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS—				
Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives ..	108,944	109,046	582,864	812,645
Bags, Baskets, &c... ..	30,490	51,006	118,458	133,096
Brushware	23,881	25,556	117,831	90,627
Outside Packages	670,335	767,267	2,232,665	2,733,533
All Other Articles	294,121	334,510	1,078,920	1,287,116
Total, Class XX. ..	1,127,771	1,287,385	4,130,738	5,057,017
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; BRONZE SPECIE	15,746	302,409	96,292	230,264
Grand Total	37,067,948	38,474,838	120,600,004	145,573,187

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES EXPORTED TO OVERSEA COUNTRIES FROM
VICTORIAN PORTS (SUBJECT TO REVISION).

Article.	Quarter Ended 30th September—		Year Ended 30th June—	
	1948.	1949.	1948.	1949.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, NOT INCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS—	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
Meats—				
Preserved by Cold Process—				
Beef	21,981	11,081	137,160	122,896
Lamb	39,330	235,050	2,558,208	1,867,851
Mutton	22,703	44,173	213,859	278,064
Pork	19,468	44,427	73,765	212,424
Poultry	127,274	186,117	595,112	644,470
Rabbits and Hares	783,081	1,197,725	1,353,986	2,390,701
Other	49,962	46,113	202,609	214,996
Preserved in Tins	735,088	902,078	1,525,841	2,545,970
Sausage Casings	40,055	144,310	329,684	386,030
Other	74,553	55,279	177,237	206,325
Butter	631,597	1,205,539	9,212,338	9,848,294
Cheese	299,710	517,110	1,697,685	2,169,093
Eggs	152,322	232,016	1,564,774	1,580,594
Infants' and Invalids' Foods	69,941	61,988	300,885	256,314
Honey	44,162	65,743	271,178	480,609
Milk and Cream	354,657	400,635	2,961,437	3,271,799
Other Animal Foodstuffs	34,901	98,552	100,972	227,647
Total, Class I.	3,500,785	5,447,936	23,276,730	26,704,077
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN ; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, ETC.—				
Grains and Cereals—				
Unprepared—				
Wheat	2,219,429	4,443,286	11,626,097	7,326,808
Oats	1,267,208	39,904	1,401,770	2,963,998
Barley	414,974	233,043	52,734	1,263,633
Other	4,392	22,713	214,046	36,571
Prepared—				
Barley, pearl and scotch	63,517	3,371	474,500	92,383
Rice	58,137	75,916	284,654	206,980
Flour (Wheaten)	4,379,227	2,299,319	11,653,993	11,304,616
Oatmeal and Rolled Oats	124,681	53,994	478,760	253,935
Other	506,487	63,144	848,458	1,639,990
Macaroni and Vermicelli	23,101	35,890	94,506	114,559
Biscuits	591	168	14,638	1,621
Vegetables—				
Potatoes, Fresh	21,190	33,651	211,202	57,587
Peas	101,745	40,591	191,152	268,255
Preserved in liquid and pulped	14,786	204,623	369,548	118,712
Other	134,908	43,129	358,343	453,124
Fruits—				
Fresh	125,303	154,022	657,620	875,282
Dried	1,490,438	900,056	1,554,839	2,404,127
Preserved in liquid	812,240	725,698	1,843,754	2,761,821
Pulped	7,957	4,240	29,420	24,212
Fruit Juices	200,569	117,665	474,936	645,869
Jams and Jellies	135,000	498,114	925,450	845,667
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs	182,048	399,272	722,872	1,073,262
Total, Class II.	12,287,928	10,391,809	34,483,292	34,733,012
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS	45,659	57,184	335,380	300,638

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES EXPORTED TO OVERSEA COUNTRIES FROM
VICTORIAN PORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Quarter Ended 30th September—		Year Ended 30th June—	
	1948.	1949.	1948.	1949.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF	1,493	749	16,234	81,035
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS	16,701	2,497	77,812	94,932
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES, NOT FOODSTUFFS—				
Hides and Skins—				
Rabbit and Hare	795,385	202,065	1,786,345	1,142,571
Calf, Cattle, and Horse	56,263	87,216	103,680	219,167
Sheep (with wool and without wool)	619,650	859,004	3,314,618	3,287,598
Other	3,779	2,232	24,375	13,193
Wool—				
Greasy	4,893,602	2,689,235	29,605,003	49,294,258
Scoured, Tops, and Waste	2,345,150	2,318,565	9,380,017	11,027,807
Other Animal Substances	1,029	3,701	42,708	22,748
Total, Class VI.	8,714,858	6,162,018	44,256,746	65,007,342
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES—				
Seeds	56,626	40,449	150,795	133,186
Fibres	22,995	9,765	259,102	40,430
Other Vegetable Substances	15,907	20,231	56,646	70,630
Total, Class VII.	95,528	70,445	466,543	244,246
CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES, AND APPAREL—				
Yarns and Manufactured Fibres ..	219,832	148,440	1,401,140	568,319
Textiles	218,058	185,395	1,422,147	696,111
Apparel	51,665	66,135	532,103	279,834
Total, Class VIII.	489,555	399,970	3,355,390	1,544,264
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES—				
Tallow, inedible	63,456	214,148	195,140	340,858
Other Oils, Fats, and Waxes	94,289	77,763	375,933	438,284
Total, Class IX.	157,745	291,911	571,073	779,142
CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS, AND VARNISHES	14,755	24,819	33,067	78,791
CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS, ETC. ..	89,702	116,676	436,362	558,861
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANU- FACTURES AND MACHINERY—				
Metals and Metal Manufactures (except Electrical)	458,592	387,104	2,058,741	1,562,644
Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Appliances	93,840	60,039	272,123	293,545
Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical)	567,318	515,022	1,878,098	1,577,827
Total, Class XII.	1,119,750	962,165	4,208,962	3,434,016

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES EXPORTED TO OVERSEA COUNTRIES FROM
VICTORIAN PORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Quarter Ended 30th September—		Year Ended 30th June—	
	1948.	1949.	1948.	1949.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF—				
Rubber and Rubber Manufactures ..	15,899	12,598	176,565	53,288
Leather and Leather Manufactures ..	193,703	242,949	908,943	834,926
Total, Class XIII. ..	209,602	255,547	1,085,508	888,214
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER ..				
	22,704	18,224	69,453	78,537
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS, AND GLASSWARE ..				
	20,553	28,153	72,607	60,962
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY—				
Pulp, Paper, and Board	36,515	8,037	41,845	70,924
Paper Manufactures and Stationery ..	43,102	48,487	225,549	160,687
Total, Class XVI. ..	79,617	56,524	267,394	231,611
CLASS XVII.—FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY, AND TIMEPIECES				
	18,388	25,891	117,698	118,472
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL, AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS				
	75,387	103,333	306,143	233,833
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, FERTILIZERS, AND CHEMICALS—				
Soap	1,516	4,401	16,606	40,028
Fertilizers .. .. .	.. .. .	15	294	1,942
Other Drugs and Chemicals	209,828	186,736	1,065,994	844,583
Total, Class XIX. ..	211,344	191,152	1,082,894	886,553
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS—				
Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives ..	89,270	199,403	217,465	317,369
Personal and Household Effects ..	35,528	53,422	176,929	196,374
All Other Articles	127,673	212,967	444,013	624,527
Total, Class XX. ..	252,471	465,792	838,407	1,138,270
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; BRONZE SPECIE				
	145,150	2,315	605,844	147,303
Australian Produce	26,982,559	24,737,727	114,212,909	136,211,083
Other Produce	587,116	337,383	1,750,630	1,133,028
Grand Total	27,569,675	25,075,110	115,963,539	137,344,111

VICTORIA—OVERSEA TRADE WITH OTHER COUNTRIES.

Imports of Products or Manufactures of—	Year Ended 30th June—			Three Months Ended 30th September, 1949 (a).
	1939.	1948.	1949 (a).	
	British Currency Values—	Australian Currency Values—		
	£	£	£	£
United Kingdom	14,540,751	48,661,112	78,446,789	20,157,193
Australian Territories	577,999	276,392	761,085	176,466
Borneo (British)	12,458	226,772	223,517	46,503
Canada	2,665,240	5,247,001	3,348,326	806,822
Ceylon	213,320	3,360,294	2,579,725	735,622
East Africa (British)	36,197	180,601	901,725	98,931
Hong Kong	7,251	68,877	144,573	57,376
India, Dominion of	793,488	8,023,371	6,822,945	1,518,389
Malaya, Federation of	485,251	1,688,401	1,656,791	399,374
New Zealand	991,983	1,350,795	1,433,600	563,406
Pacific Islands (British)	93,248	198,558	74,619	42,625
Rhodesia, Northern and Southern	14,132	232,105	671,674	184,673
Singapore	(b)	99,639	723,869	273,210
South Africa, Union of	84,676	1,194,078	871,503	159,137
West Africa (British)	69,280	580,368	458,707	301,542
Other British Possessions	92,170	567,893	377,392	54,222
Arabia—				
Bahrein Islands	266,517	1,759,779	1,175,532	343,007
Saudi Arabia, Yemen, Muscat, and Oman, &c.	3,180	258,306	240,425	82,123
Austria	27,519	49,715	136,170	54,110
Belgium	353,216	1,721,610	983,134	232,178
Brazil	39,034	508,860	490,722	125,237
China	140,900	440,563	584,617	84,346
Czechoslovakia	196,669	714,718	1,552,682	345,243
Egypt	70,436	280,212	532,207	10,024
Finland	102,237	470,709	943,526	133,794
France	394,105	1,206,719	1,474,259	615,665
Germany	1,537,847	379,509	969,701	401,754
Italy	257,160	985,011	1,640,724	735,086
Japan	1,716,486	653,523	685,800	404,221
Netherlands	209,945	853,370	1,169,374	278,565
Netherlands Dependency—Indonesia	2,044,057	938,918	3,645,601	922,433
Norway	143,595	1,088,233	1,204,216	213,855
Persia (Iran)	382,568	3,165,046	3,311,283	755,400
Poland	15,696	48,143	133,297	44,502
Portugal	55,247	165,754	77,375	19,644
Spain	23,520	46,535	206,743	65,476
Sweden	459,959	1,985,918	3,901,204	653,371
Switzerland	406,975	743,390	768,039	257,763
United States of America	4,792,784	27,042,090	16,444,543	4,943,729
Uruguay .. .. .	..	53,614	203,568	..
Other Foreign Countries	393,163	707,701	740,594	380,567
Country not stated .. .. .	..	143,136	127,478	29,987
Total (excluding Outside Packages)	34,710,259	118,367,339	142,839,654	37,707,571

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Included in "Malaya, Federation of".

VICTORIA—OVERSEA TRADE WITH OTHER COUNTRIES—*continued.*

Exports to—	Year Ended 30th June—			Three Months Ended 30th September, 1949 (a).
	1939.	1948.	1949 (a).	
	Australian Currency Values—			
	£	£	£	£
United Kingdom	15,266,925	43,924,370	54,375,695	9,444,272
Aden and Dependencies	15,274	157,465	396,281	12,297
Australian Territories	139,477	308,100	331,139	128,711
Borneo (British)	3,958	135,307	133,168	46,443
Canada	492,839	1,668,803	3,286,456	1,020,845
Ceylon	144,742	3,573,898	3,546,761	410,149
Cyprus	16,942	114,941	273,164	27,020
East Africa (British)	2,625	142,178	212,083	40,431
Eire	549	347,280	66,812	23,412
Guiana (British)	4,324	146,345	157,796	48,816
Hong Kong	164,238	2,913,620	1,402,388	455,269
India, Dominion of	342,958	10,105,140	5,869,801	3,040,454
Malaya, Federation of	618,214	3,494,769	3,106,544	302,481
Malta and Gozo	49,054	199,269	248,669	39,935
Mauritius and Dependencies	64,568	915,134	132,877	357,704
New Zealand	1,906,752	4,465,176	4,487,918	1,704,162
Pacific Islands (British)	116,218	283,523	235,056	97,134
Pakistan, Dominion of	(b)	(b)	510,307	32,671
Rhodesia, Northern and Southern ..	6,393	89,513	198,332	72,509
Singapore	(c)	2,209,309	2,247,436	651,009
South Africa, Union of	500,433	904,330	1,025,950	279,640
West Africa (British)	643	85,408	111,608	24,537
West Indies (British)	72,270	403,265	447,169	164,985
Other British Possessions	46,972	232,146	221,800	147,832
Arabia	1,036	71,200	304,445	48,067
Austria	36	74,700	182,113	18,335
Belgium	654,276	2,822,414	2,174,934	205,229
Burma	22,727	686,479	319,968	33,778
China	576,750	1,011,869	474,163	6,807
Czechoslovakia	23,763	169,743	314,619	37,771
Denmark	16,796	585,924	1,054,294	188,104
Egypt	73,572	2,111,360	3,025,921	148,889
France	2,167,616	7,304,353	9,904,908	867,169
Germany	450,788	1,141,279	1,635,470	394,382
Greece	46,147	80,308	211,031	35,214
Iraq	46	137,535	346,849	6,245
Italy	272,391	3,285,383	8,478,145	233,112
Japan	1,690,971	350,796	991,732	191,583
Mexico	35,134	150,789	593,605	85,418
Netherlands	149,453	473,677	1,414,320	127,442
Netherlands Dependency—Indonesia ..	613,570	5,813	610,796	2,075
Norway	17,963	157,093	170,279	61,166
Palestine	4,232	2,531,792	452,395	17,666
Persia (Iran)	26	150,856	260,212	67,112
Peru	1,674	1,826	1	1,208,719
Philippine Republic	96,968	55,183	169,665	19,573
Poland	121,660	301,859	2,400,125	397,540
Siam (Thailand)	41,241	127,804	324,482	59,252
Soviet Russia .. .. .	..	2,027,568	6,186,834	14
Sweden	171,354	942,942	1,821,833	462,186
Switzerland	4,002	307,330	175,161	45,072
Syria and Lebanon	28	79,747	233,755	124,385
Turkey	14,414	513,035	966,380	28,114
United States of America	3,378,036	10,650,290	7,746,201	1,248,806
Yugoslavia	4,078	127,338	387,187	1,094
Other Foreign Countries	191,896	705,927	987,078	132,073
Country not stated .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Total	30,819,012	115,963,539	137,344,111	25,075,110

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Included in "India, Dominion of".

(c) Included in "Malaya, Federation of".

QUANTITIES AND VALUES OF THE PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES EXPORTED TO
OVERSEA COUNTRIES FROM VICTORIAN PORTS.

(Australian Currency Values.)

Commodity.				Year Ended 30th June—			Three Months Ended 30th September, 1949 (a).
				1947.	1948.	1949 (a).	
Wool—							
Greasy	..	..	.. { lb. £	193,595,564 20,799,838	172,361,720 29,605,003	229,736,479 49,294,258	14,416,536 2,689,235
Soured and Washed	..	..	.. { lb. £	44,391,722 6,658,839	40,605,587 7,247,658	41,428,700 8,882,898	8,709,396 2,079,852
Tops, Noils, and Waste	..	..	.. { lb. £	9,845,839 2,157,926	8,939,815 2,132,359	8,542,137 2,144,909	1,233,710 238,713
Butter	..	..	.. { lb. £	82,594,500 7,766,346	82,259,802 9,212,338	74,548,505 9,848,594	10,100,725 1,205,539
Wheat	..	..	.. { centals £	410,976 312,072	7,935,448 11,626,097	5,817,051 7,326,808	3,735,417 4,443,286
Flour (wheaten)	..	..	.. { centals £	4,429,523 7,025,624	5,913,322 11,653,993	5,457,734 11,304,616	1,384,702 2,299,319
Fruits—							
Dried	..	..	.. { lb. £	70,682,940 1,682,138	63,918,567 1,554,839	89,417,178 2,404,127	33,226,236 900,056
Fresh	..	..	.. { lb. £	19,131,200 477,743	32,171,900 657,620	39,476,100 875,282	6,853,700 154,022
Preserved in Liquid	..	..	.. { lb. £	45,197,285 1,368,813	60,326,484 1,843,754	81,817,460 2,761,821	25,924,617 725,698
Meats—							
Beef (frozen)	..	..	.. { lb. £	17,909,891 445,946	4,121,732 137,160	2,426,953 122,896	292,804 11,081
Lamb (frozen)	..	..	.. { lb. £	79,827,160 2,576,358	66,926,694 2,558,208	45,879,001 1,867,851	5,142,646 235,050
Mutton (frozen)	..	..	.. { lb. £	29,936,686 486,341	10,815,783 213,859	12,620,225 278,064	1,782,777 44,173
Pork (frozen)	..	..	.. { lb. £	4,013,637 169,480	1,160,739 73,765	3,212,503 212,424	635,533 44,427
Poultry (frozen)	..	..	£	221,147	595,112	644,470	186,117
Rabbits and Hares (frozen)	..	..	.. { pairs £	4,528,137 528,825	9,279,969 1,353,986	14,993,415 2,390,701	(b) 6,234,555 (b) 1,193,143
Preserved in Tins	..	..	.. { lb. £	34,444,231 2,061,345	26,543,062 1,525,841	46,460,459 2,545,970	12,378,795 902,078
Sausage Casings	..	..	.. { cwt. £	10,437 271,727	9,085 329,684	8,776 386,030	3,156 144,310
All Other Meats	..	..	£	357,232	379,846	421,321	101,392
Milk and Cream	..	..	£	2,733,230	2,961,437	3,271,799	400,635
Hides and Skins—							
Sheep (with wool)	..	..	.. { lb. £	54,476,850 3,379,693	32,038,120 3,246,515	30,768,333 3,230,725	8,590,904 832,757
Rabbit and Hare	..	..	.. { lb. £	4,947,452 2,020,950	5,520,569 1,786,345	4,110,507 1,142,571	1,552,934 202,065
Other Skins	..	..	£	340,946	196,158	287,845	115,695
Tallow (inedible)	..	..	.. { cwt. £	16,895 94,682	30,324 195,140	56,573 340,858	46,927 214,148
Eggs in shell	..	..	.. { dozen £	3,479,898 230,238	4,195,405 461,553	5,128,724 601,628	1,447,665 186,293
Eggs not in shell	..	..	£	895,374	1,103,221	978,966	45,723
Cheese	..	..	.. { lb. £	30,311,114 1,430,698	25,575,894 1,697,685	29,536,079 2,169,093	6,367,217 517,110

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Quantity and value of carcasses only. In addition, 66,444 lb. (value, £4,582) of rabbit and hare meat other than carcasses were exported.

VI.—LAND TRANSPORT.

VICTORIA—RAILWAYS (EXCLUDING ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS AND ROAD MOTOR SERVICES UNDER THE CONTROL OF RAILWAYS COMMISSIONERS).

Particulars.	Year Ended 30th June—				Three Months Ended 30th September, 1949.
	1939.	1947.	1948.	1949.	
Average Mileage Operated ..	4,754	4,748	4,725	4,712	(a)
Traffic Train Miles Run '000	17,890	15,539	16,819	17,352	3,607
Passengers Journeys .. '000	142,124	170,165	182,210	176,555	40,146
Goods Carried tons '000	5,250	6,861	7,757	8,155	1,865
Live Stock Carried tons '000	726	700	683	704	(a)

(a) Not yet available.

Particulars.	Year Ended 30th June—			Three Months Ended 30th September, 1949.
	1939.	1948.	1949.	
Gross Revenue £'000	9,284	16,321	17,274	3,811
Working Expenses (a) £'000	8,060	15,225	17,816	4,483
Net Earnings (b) £'000	1,224	1,096	— 542	— 672
Interest Charges, Exchange and Contributions to National Debt Sinking Fund, &c. £'000	2,168	2,154	2,161	(d)
Net Result for Year £'000	— 944	— 1,058	— 2,703	(d)
Net Earnings on Capital Cost (c) .. %	2·33	2·01	— 0·97	(d)

(a) Including cost of pensions and Pay-roll Tax.

(b) Before the payment of capital charges, viz., interest, exchange, sinking fund, &c.

(c) Capital cost as written down in accordance with *Railways (Finances Adjustment) Act 1936*.

(d) Not yet available.

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BOARD.

Particulars.	Year Ended 30th June —			Period from 1st July, 1949, to 8th October, 1949.
	1939.	1948.	1949.	
Tramway Track Open—				
Double miles	(a) 127·3	126·2	126·2	126·2
Single miles	5·9	5·2	5·2	5·2
Motor Omnibus Route miles	48·6	68·6	68·7	68·7
Vehicle Mileage—				
Tramsays '000	22,981	22,554	23,120	5,447
Motor Omnibuses '000	2,165	7,875	8,096	2,269
Passenger Journeys—				
Tramways '000	182,094	255,831	266,440	64,325
Motor Omnibuses '000	11,911	67,154	72,333	20,064
Revenue—	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Traffic Receipts	2,305	3,839	4,030	1,062
Other	15	17	23	5
Total Revenue	2,320	3,856	4,053	1,067
Operating Expenses	(b) 1,517	(b) 3,099	(c) 4,171	(c) 1,164
Surplus on Operation	803	757	..	..
Deficit on Operation .. .. .	..	..	118	97

(a) Including 7·94 miles of cable tramway. The cable tramway service ceased operation on 26th October, 1949.

(b) Excluding interest and other charges and appropriations.

(c) Including rates, interest and depreciation, but excluding appropriations.

VICTORIA—MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS.

(Excluding Commonwealth-owned vehicles and Defence Service vehicles.)

Period.				Motor Vehicles—				Motor Cycles.
				Private.	Commercial and Hire.	Primary Producers' (a).	Total.	
NEW REGISTRATIONS.								
1938-39 Year	..	..	..	15,249	3,953	2,494	21,696	2,140
1946-47	..	..	..	6,122	3,222	1,411	10,755	1,642
1947-48	..	..	..	12,164	6,055	3,293	21,512	3,479
1948-49	..	..	..	18,312	7,234	4,283	29,829	5,048
Three months ended 30th September, 1949	..	..	..	5,640	2,106	1,404	9,150	1,571
RE-REGISTRATION OF USED VEHICLES.								
1938-39 Year	..	..	..	13,718	3,459	3,277	20,454	4,787
1946-47	..	..	..	9,874	6,246	2,983	19,103	5,428
1947-48	..	..	..	7,896	4,472	2,466	14,834	2,862
1948-49	..	..	..	8,693	4,320	2,891	15,904	3,718
Three months ended 30th September, 1949	..	..	..	2,635	1,148	786	4,569	942
RENEWALS OF REGISTRATION.								
1938-39 Year	..	..	..	122,164	28,750	41,656	192,570	19,771
1946-47	..	..	..	137,859	44,689	53,548	236,096	19,102
1947-48	..	..	..	147,271	50,433	55,233	252,937	21,742
1948-49	..	..	..	158,038	56,035	56,451	270,524	22,739
Three months ended 30th September, 1949	..	..	..	44,252	15,378	13,785	73,415	5,795
TOTAL REGISTRATIONS.								
1938-39 Year	..	..	..	151,131	36,162	47,427	234,720	26,698
1946-47	..	..	..	153,855	54,157	57,942	265,954	26,172
1947-48	..	..	..	167,331	60,960	60,992	289,283	29,083
1948-49	..	..	..	185,043	67,589	63,625	316,257	31,505
Three months ended 30th September, 1949	..	..	..	52,527	18,632	15,975	87,134	8,308

(a) Includes private cars and commercial vehicles, separate particulars of which are not available.

VICTORIA—TRANSPORT BOARD LICENCES.

Type of Licence.	Licences in Force at 30th June—			
	1939.	1947.	1948.	1949.
Temporary Licences—				
Commercial Passenger Vehicles	79	1,172	963	907
Commercial Goods Vehicles	1,098	2,192	4,377	2,863
Total, Temporary Licences	1,177	3,364	5,340	3,770
Permanent "Discretionary" Licences—				
Commercial Passenger Vehicles	976	2,348	2,563	2,851
Commercial Goods Vehicles	1,894	1,058	1,367	1,724
Total, "Discretionary" Licences	2,870	3,406	3,930	4,575
Licences Issued "As of Right"—				
To operate for hire or reward—				
Within 25 miles of Melbourne	4,751	9,136	8,780	9,951
Within 25 miles of Ballarat, Bendigo, or Geelong	439	1,038	955	1,066
Within 20 miles of places of business of owners generally outside radius of Melbourne, Ballarat, Bendigo, and Geelong	4,203	8,022	7,467	8,653
Primary Producers	699	4,275	4,829	5,987
Commercial Goods Vehicles owned by Butter and Cheese Factories	297	473	469	553
Ancillary Carriers	20,062	26,554	27,012	30,211
Vehicles carrying Third Schedule Goods, Racecourse Floats, Petroleum Tank Wagons, and Commercial Travellers' Vehicles	914	3,741	4,294	4,962
Total, "As of Right"	31,365	53,239	53,806	61,383
Additional Licences to Commercial Goods Vehicles to Carry Passengers	558	283	335	340
Grand Total	35,970	60,292	63,411	70,068

VICTORIA—TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS.
(As reported to the Police.)

Period.	Number of Accident in which Persons were Killed or Injured.	Number of Persons Killed.	Number of Persons Injured.	Number of Accidents in which no Person was Killed or Injured.	Total Number of Accidents.
<i>City of Melbourne.</i>					
1938-39 Year	1,470	47	1,593	4,161	5,631
1946-47 " "	1,104	34	1,254	2,018	3,122
1947-48 " "	1,073	34	1,169	2,023	3,096
1948-49 " "	1,208	39	1,322	(a)	(a)
1947-48—					
March Quarter	224	4	240	456	680
June Quarter	314	12	348	499	813
1948-49—					
September Quarter ..	279	4	295	(a)	(a)
December Quarter ..	302	13	327	(a)	(a)
March Quarter	293	4	331	(a)	(a)
June Quarter	334	18	369	(a)	(a)
<i>Metropolitan Area (excluding City of Melbourne).</i>					
1938-39 Year	3,508	177	3,862	5,534	9,042
1946-47 " "	3,515	155	3,997	3,949	7,464
1947-48 " "	3,349	153	3,718	3,778	7,127
1948-49 " "	3,503	194	3,954	(a)	(a)
1947-48—					
March Quarter	744	30	825	902	1,646
June Quarter	877	45	969	963	1,840
1948-49—					
September Quarter ..	842	61	924	(a)	(a)
December Quarter ..	892	41	1,028	(a)	(a)
March Quarter	847	28	967	(a)	(a)
June Quarter	922	64	1,035	(a)	(a)
<i>Outside Metropolitan Area.</i>					
1938-39 Year	1,558	194	1,973	2,265	3,823
1946-47 " "	1,903	197	2,559	2,080	3,983
1947-48 " "	1,830	175	2,323	2,232	4,062
1948-49 " "	2,229	193	2,949	(a)	(a)
1947-48—					
March Quarter	468	48	598	566	1,034
June Quarter	498	44	645	546	1,044
1948-49—					
September Quarter ..	444	36	580	(a)	(a)
December Quarter ..	554	49	726	(a)	(a)
March Quarter	588	55	761	(a)	(a)
June Quarter	643	53	882	(a)	(a)
<i>Total—Victoria.</i>					
1938-39 Year	6,536	418	7,428	11,960	18,496
1946-47 " "	6,522	386	7,810	8,047	14,569
1947-48 " "	6,252	362	7,210	8,033	14,285
1948-49 " "	6,940	426	8,225	(a)	(a)
1947-48—					
March Quarter	1,436	82	1,663	1,924	3,360
June Quarter	1,689	101	1,962	2,008	3,697
1948-49—					
September Quarter ..	1,565	101	1,799	(a)	(a)
December Quarter ..	1,748	103	2,081	(a)	(a)
March Quarter	1,728	87	2,059	(a)	(a)
June Quarter	1,899	135	2,286	(a)	(a)

(a) Not available.

VII.—FINANCE.
VICTORIA—CONSOLIDATED REVENUE.

Heads of Revenue.	Year Ended 30th June—				
	1939.	1946.	1947.	1948.	1949.
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Taxation (a)	10,085	4,669	5,847	6,004	6,869
Railways	9,349	14,822	13,785	16,308	17,283
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings ..	2,300	2,551	2,688	2,823	3,175
Land	387	882	825	846	959
Interest n.e.i.	1,881	1,511	1,580	1,740	1,955
Commonwealth Payments—					
Under Financial Agreement	2,127	2,127	2,127	2,127	2,127
Income Tax Reimbursement (b) .. .. .	..	6,431	} 8,771	9,881	12,027
Entertainments Tax Reimbursement (b) ..	..	373			
All other Revenue	857	1,825	1,736	1,999	2,447
Total Revenue	26,986	35,191	37,359	41,728	46,842
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total Revenue per Head of Population ..	14 8 3	17 9 2	18 6 3	20 3 4	22 4 9

(a) For details see page 27.

(b) Under the provisions of the Income and Entertainments Tax Reimbursements Acts of 1942 and *States Grants (Tax Reimbursement) Act 1946*.

VICTORIA—EXPENDITURE FROM CONSOLIDATED REVENUE.

Heads of Expenditure.	Year Ended 30th June—				
	1939.	1946.	1947.	1948.	1949.
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Public Debt Charges—					
Interest on Funded Debt ..	6,640	6,214	6 055	6,166	6,325
Exchange on Interest Payments ..	669	645	585	587	542
Sinking Fund Contributions ..	859	1,407	1,474	1,555	1,715
Other	62	137	102	84	114
Railways	7,694	12,073	12,374	14,560	17,024
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings	980	1,802	1,711	1,897	2,062
Education	3,123	4,362	5,216	6,244	7,232
Public Health	143	199	252	336	436
Hospitals	1,054	2,042	2,555	2,841	3,099
Other Charities (a)	2,302	584	537	721	931
Law, Order, and Public Safety ..	1,285	1,769	2,028	2,277	2,722
All other Expenditure	2,962	3,951	4,465	5,014	6,023
Total Expenditure	27,773	35,185	37,354	42,282	48,225
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total Expenditure per Head of Population	14 16 8	17 9 1	18 6 3	20 8 8	22 17 11

(a) Including contributions to Unemployment Relief Fund.

VICTORIA—STATE TAXATION.

Tax.	Year Ended 30th June—				
	1939.	1946.	1947.	1948.	1949.
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
State Taxation Collections—					
Income Taxes (a)	6,251	86	89	86	71
Land Tax	482	321	383	374	371
Probate Duty	1,374	1,825	2,461	2,096	2,573
Stamp Duties, n.e.i.	960	1,071	1,335	1,482	1,656
Motor Taxation	1,914	1,847	2,094	2,389	2,647
Entertainments	677	878	969	1,252	1,402
Liquor	255	389	484	551	607
All other Taxes	110	110	127	135	136
Paid to Consolidated Revenue ..	10,085	4,669	5,847	6,004	6,869
Paid to Special Funds ..	1,938	1,858	2,095	2,361	2,594
Total	12,023	6,527	7,942	8,365	9,463
Commonwealth Reimbursements—					
Income Tax .. ..	..	6,431	} 8,771	9,881	12,027
Entertainments Tax .. ..	..	373			
Total .. ..	..	6,804	8,771	9,881	12,027
Grand Total	12,023	13,331	16,713	18,246	21,490
Per head of Population—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
State Collections	6 8 5	3 4 9	3 17 10	4 0 10	4 9 10
Commonwealth Reimbursements ..	..	3 7 6	4 6 0	4 15 6	5 14 3
Total	6 8 5	6 12 3	8 3 10	8 16 4	10 4 1

(a) Including Unemployment Relief Tax.

VICTORIA—STATE EXPENDITURE FROM LOAN FUNDS AND ON ACCOUNT OF LOANS.

Heads of Expenditure.	During Year Ended 30th June—			Total to 30th June, 1949.
	1947.	1948.	1949.	
	£	£	£	£
Public Works—				
Railways—				
As reduced	488,050	479,275	1,344,265	53,325,542
Transferred .. ..	..	..	..	29,134,658
Roads and Bridges	38,866	26,639	392,326	13,124,350
Water Supply and Sewerage	1,466,122	1,895,260	2,265,809	38,394,149
Electricity Supply .. ..	..	..	..	17,839,227
Public Buildings—				
Schools	539,436	609,867	1,023,202	8,616,007
Hospitals	176,230	213,343	357,497	2,261,473
Other	81,950	180,268	228,380	2,060,835
Housing	528,562	469,743	193,676	3,157,266
Unemployment Relief .. ..	..	..	..	13,147,158
Other Public Works	125,869	310,211	396,164	4,604,682
Primary Production—				
Land Settlement (a)	2,226,665	5,408,434	4,181,682	53,457,093
Advances to Settlers	(b) 99,253	(b) 217,129	10,144	3,908,473
Wire Netting Advances .. ..	..	16,004	16,019	917,752
Bulk Handling of Wheat .. ..	..	..	..	1,000,000
Forestry	1,329,450	1,112,650	1,330,421	6,871,641
Mining (including State Coal Mine) ..	197	223	40,558	632,867
Other Primary Production	10,230	15,493	523	1,133,115
Other Purposes .. ..	..	58,112	(c) 945,883	1,454,945
Total Public Works, &c. ..	7,110,880	11,012,651	12,726,549	255,041,233
In Aid of Revenue .. ..	..	..	..	9,118,682
Grand Total	7,110,880	11,012,651	12,726,549	264,159,915

(a) Including Soldier Settlement.

(b) Including Drought Relief, £88,410 in 1946-47, and £182,001 in 1947-48.

(c) Including Overseas Purchase of Coal, £843,000.

SAVINGS BANKS—DEPOSITS IN VICTORIA.

Period.	Deposits—			Total Deposits per Head of Population.
	State Savings Bank (a).	Commonwealth Savings Bank.	Total.	
At 30th June—	£'000	£'000	£'000	£ s. d.
1929	66,130	6,577	72,707	41 2 2
1931	57,138	6,104	63,242	35 2 10
1939	69,219	11,242	80,461	42 15 4
1943	97,517	23,732	121,249	61 3 7
1944	122,682	31,205	153,887	77 9 7
1945	143,216	38,933	182,149	90 10 5
1946	163,723	47,603	211,326	104 2 2
1947	168,148	47,959	216,107	105 3 0
1948	177,781	48,620	226,401	108 5 10
1949	187,359	51,887	239,246	(b) 111 16 10
At 30th September, 1949	189,549	52,964	242,513	(b) 112 14 11

(a) Includes School Bank and Deposit Stock Accounts.

(b) Subject to revision.

VICTORIA—MORTGAGES OF REAL ESTATE.

Period.	Mortgages Registered during Period.					
	Under Transfer of Land Acts (a).		Under Property Law Act (b).		Total.	
	Number.	Considera- tion (c).	Number.	Considera- tion (c).	Number.	Considera- tion (c).
Year ended 31st December—		£'000.		£'000.		£'000.
1929	27,916	21,082	899	968	28,815	22,050
1939	19,144	12,244	853	773	19,997	13,017
1946	18,055	7,030	801	456	18,856	7,486
1947	21,342	12,922	903	386	22,245	13,308
1948	21,926	17,263	849	556	22,775	17,819
1948—						
March Quarter	4,698	4,064	180	151	4,878	4,215
June Quarter	5,617	4,787	197	137	5,814	4,924
September Quarter	5,885	4,185	243	156	6,128	4,341
December Quarter	5,726	4,227	229	112	5,955	4,339
1949—						
March Quarter	5,267	4,815	175	120	5,442	4,935
June Quarter	6,171	5,001	183	214	6,354	5,215
September Quarter	8,110	5,054	251	156	8,361	5,210

(a) Mortgages under the Transfer of Land Act are in respect of land brought under such Act subsequent to 1862 and land alienated by the Crown since that date.

(b) Mortgages under the Property Law Act are in respect of land alienated by the Crown prior to 1862 and not subsequently brought under the Transfer of Land Act.

(c) Excluding the amounts owing under mortgages given to secure overdrafts on current accounts.

VICTORIA—COMPANIES REGISTERED UNDER COMPANIES ACT.

Particulars.	Year Ended 31st December—				Nine Months Ended 30th September, 1949.
	1929.	1939.	1947.	1948.	
Number registered during period—					
Victorian Trading	926	537	844	(b) 1,044	542
Foreign	62	37	69	70	61
Mining	22	28	12	7	6
Total	1,010	602	925	(b) 1,121	609
Nominal Capital of Companies registered during period—	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Victorian Trading	44,083	17,302	21,632	35,606	18,925
Foreign	(a)	8,975	14,488	21,913	15,455
Mining	1	..	1,265	578	206
Number of Existing Companies at end of period—					
Victorian	7,259	10,229	10,042	10,872	11,298
Foreign	899	643	856	913	963
Increase during the period in nominal Capital of Existing Companies—	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Victorian Trading	10,246	6,854	24,518	27,382	16,106
Mining	244	1,097	395	326	78

(a) Not available.

(b) Revised figures.

VIII.—PRODUCTION.

VICTORIA—RAINFALL, YEARLY AND MONTHLY RECORDS AND MEANS.

Period.	Districts.								Whole State.
	Mallee.	Wimmera.	Northern.	North-Central.	North-Eastern.	Western.	Central.	Gipps-land.	
	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.
Averages 1911–1940 (a) ..	12·49	17·52	18·09	27·06	34·81	27·58	29·64	33·47	24·28
Year—									
1944 ..	6·59	10·46	9·24	17·10	20·72	24·30	23·97	27·54	17·09
1945 ..	9·63	15·20	14·84	21·71	29·97	25·21	22·25	28·60	20·50
1946 ..	14·07	22·07	17·76	29·86	39·85	40·20	33·04	41·19	29·37
1947 ..	15·16	22·71	20·35	32·93	40·91	33·80	33·00	36·10	28·46
1948 ..	11·29	19·15	16·46	24·82	31·98	28·37	25·93	34·37	23·61
1949—									
January ..	0·17	0·45	0·25	0·96	0·97	1·31	1·41	3·42	1·14
February ..	1·62	3·28	2·50	4·46	2·14	3·44	3·49	3·26	2·84
March ..	1·25	0·70	3·20	4·54	4·60	1·35	4·79	4·31	2·76
April ..	0·07	0·09	0·27	0·49	1·11	0·80	0·99	1·17	0·60
May ..	2·35	1·97	1·44	1·34	2·38	2·52	2·46	2·97	2·28
June ..	0·35	0·72	0·83	1·28	1·59	1·93	2·22	4·11	1·63
July ..	1·13	1·69	1·81	2·57	3·27	1·98	2·32	3·53	2·22
August ..	0·32	0·68	0·53	1·07	1·33	1·46	1·24	1·53	0·99
September ..	1·13	1·48	1·59	2·44	2·94	1·93	1·97	1·60	1·79

(a) Averages for a standard 30 years' period, 1911–1940.

VICTORIA—AREA, YIELD, AND GROSS VALUE OF ALL CROPS, 1947-48.

Crop.	Area.	Yield.				Gross Value.(a)
						£
Wheat	3,227,162	46,962,385 bushels	..	..	..	32,130,370(b)
Oats	650,119	15,380,970 bushels	..	..	..	5,715,609
Barley—						
Malting (2 row)	149,567	3,253,774 bushels	..	..	..	2,313,742
Other (6 row)	14,622	322,997 bushels	..	..	..	187,066
Maize	7,968	323,984 bushels	..	..	..	162,467
Rye	8,148	49,554 bushels	..	..	..	37,166
Hay—						
Wheaten	52,020	75,942 tons	..	..	..	364,388
Oaten	340,036	511,831 tons	..	..	..	2,498,103
Lucerne, &c.	46,934	86,058 tons	..	..	..	567,110
Meadow	218,096	368,697 tons	..	..	..	1,874,342
Straw .. .. .	..	30,000 tons	..	..	..	111,750
Grass and Clover Seed ..	11,746	17,893 cwt.	..	..	..	90,807
Canary Seed	36	240 cwt.	..	..	..	621
Peas for grain	9,676	259,110 bushels	..	..	..	155,505
Green Fodder	46,100	..	..	..	..	115,630
Potatoes	59,400	184,882 tons	..	..	..	2,251,590(c)
Onions	6,722	61,540 tons	..	..	..	904,887
Other Vegetables	35,907	..	..	..	..	3,369,105
Sugar Beet	553	6,362 tons of beet (584 tons of sugar)	..	..	..	19,086
Turnips, Beet, &c., for fodder ..	1,042	4,869 tons	..	..	..	38,952
Mangolds and Pumpkins ..	537	2,455 tons	..	..	..	12,275
Tobacco	958	1,162 cwt.	..	..	..	18,379
Hops	240	2,538 cwt.	..	..	..	41,451
Broom Millet	422	2,134 cwt. fibre	..	..	..	8,106
		1,095 cwt. seed	..	..	..	737
Chickory	442	540 tons	..	..	..	38,880
Flax	12,183	19,427 tons of straw	..	..	..	159,977
Orchards—						
Productive	57,943	..	..	..	..	3,578,524
Unproductive	13,570	..	..	..	..	..
Grapes—						
Table	1,470	4,328 tons	..	..	..	151,480
Wine	6,327	16,329 tons	..	..	..	253,309
Drying	33,641	Wine made 2,958,292 gallons	..	..	..	..
		213,457 tons producing—	..	..	..	..
		41,971 tons of sultanas	..	..	..	2,878,877
		5,189 tons of raisins	..	..	..	332,208
		8,086 tons of currants	..	..	..	461,709
Vines, unproductive	2,346	..	..	..	..	..
Other Crops	7,156	..	..	..	..	406,030
Total Crops	5,023,149	..	..	..	..	61,250,238

(a) The gross value is based on the wholesale price realized in the principal markets. The places where primary products are absorbed locally or where they become raw materials for a secondary industry are presumed to be the principal markets.

(b) Includes Flour Tax payments.

(c) Includes Subsidies.

VICTORIA—ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND AVERAGE YIELD OF PRINCIPAL CROPS.

Season.			For Grain—			Hay.	Potatoes.	Grapes for Drying (a).	Fruit (b).
			Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.				
Area of Crops.									
			Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1944-45	..	..	2,141,729	722,169	129,054	901,983	83,238	34,220	55,246
1945-46	..	..	3,251,393	511,483	134,132	1,060,496	63,000	33,607	56,512
1946-47	..	..	3,501,135	453,898	138,022	677,787	56,400	33,808	56,869
1947-48	..	..	3,227,162	650,119	164,189	657,146	59,400	33,641	57,943
1948-49	..	..	2,995,705	539,603	195,779	(c) 591,341	45,785	(d)	57,868
Total Production.									
			Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons (e)	
1944-45	..	..	3,497,677	1,335,429	359,536	704,246	305,216	39,934	..
1945-46	..	..	29,633,760	7,401,816	1,743,754	1,444,250	230,749	49,430	..
1946-47	..	..	48,970,908	6,401,430	2,321,912	985,224	223,782	43,303	..
1947-48	..	..	46,962,385	15,380,970	3,576,771	1,042,438	184,882	55,246	..
1948-49	..	..	49,063,560	7,489,601	3,547,691	933,983	166,105	(d)	..
Average Yield per Acre.									
			Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons (e)	
1944-45	..	..	1·63	1·85	2·79	0·78	3·67	1·17	..
1945-46	..	..	9·11	14·47	13·00	1·36	3·66	1·47	..
1946-47	..	..	13·99	14·10	16·82	1·45	3·97	1·28	..
1947-48	..	..	14·55	23·66	21·78	1·59	3·11	1·64	..
1948-49	..	..	16·38	13·88	18·12	1·58	3·63	(d)	..

(a) Excluding table grapes, wine grapes, and unproductive vines, the area of which in 1947-48 amounted to 1,470, 6,327, and 2,346 acres respectively.

(b) Productive orchards only. The area of unproductive orchards in 1948-49 was 13,878 acres. Owing to the varying units of quantity, total production cannot be conveniently shown in this statement. (See *Victorian Year-Book*).

(c) Including wheaten 37,690 acres and oats 284,305 acres.

(d) Not yet available.

(e) Weight of dried produce.

VICTORIA—ESTIMATED AREA AND VARIETIES OF WHEAT SOWN IN 1949.

Variety.	Estimated Area.	Percentage of Total Area.
	Acres.	%
Quadrat	1,323,397	44·86
Insignia	618,450	20·96
Pinnacle	236,595	8·02
Bencubbin	197,010	6·68
Magnet	170,725	5·79
Pindar	88,149	2·99
Ghurka	86,174	2·92
Diadem	70,674	2·40
Baldmin	37,586	1·27
Ranee	32,826	1·11
Regalia	23,630	0·80
Gabo	15,612	0·53
Rajah	6,678	0·23
Dundee	5,628	0·19
Glucub	5,548	0·19
Bobin	5,299	0·18
Sepoy	3,681	0·12
Turvey	3,017	0·10
Mac's White	2,356	0·08
Bungulla	2,145	0·07
Free Gallipoli	2,020	0·07
Blue Stem	1,445	0·05
Nabawa	1,425	0·05
Javelen	897	0·03
Gluyas	877	0·03
Koorda	757	0·03
Ranee—Rajah	648	0·02
Warigo	606	0·02
C.M.G.	599	0·02
Federation	499	0·02
All other varieties	5,047	0·17
Total	2,950,000	100·00

LIVE STOCK IN VICTORIA.

At 31st March—	Horses.	Cattle.			Pigs.	Sheep.
		All Dairy Cattle.	Beef Cattle.	Total.		
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1945	253,782	1,364,202	538,908	1,903,110	296,232	16,457,101
1946	232,473	1,299,769	527,318	1,827,087	271,887	14,655,277
1947	227,164	1,411,628	648,433	2,060,061	290,450	16,598,490
1948	221,454	1,476,379	697,824	2,174,203	271,492	17,931,173
1949	213,090	1,513,292	711,251	2,224,543	223,823	19,170,312

VICTORIA—WOOL PRODUCTION AND VALUE.

Season.	Clip.	Stripped from and Exported on Skins, &c. (Greasy).	Total Quantity. (Greasy).	Gross Value.	Average Price. per lb.
	lb.	lb.	lb.	£	d.
1943-44	163,838,577	32,576,650	196,415,227	13,290,073	16·24
1944-45	142,615,657	34,527,400	177,143,057	11,856,369	16·06
1945-46	109,236,140	43,161,367	152,397,507	9,527,048	15·00
1946-47	150,807,569	46,268,669	197,076,238	18,708,593	22·78
1947-48	157,866,750	33,137,130	191,003,880	29,851,792	37·51
1948-49	165,192,428	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)

(a) Not yet available.

VICTORIA—MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

Particulars.	Year Ended 30th June—			
	1939.	1946.	1947.	1948.(c)
	No.	No.	No.	No.
Factories	9,250	10,195	10,949	11,642
Persons employed (a)—				
Males	136,218	178,951	188,758	199,003
Females	65,613	77,298	76,999	79,258
Total	201,831	256,249	265,757	278,261
Wages paid (b)—	£'000.	£'000.	£'000	£'000
Males	29,006	56,773	63,035	76,312
Females	7,021	13,726	14,959	17,490
Total	36,027	70,499	77,994	93,802
Value of—	£'000.	£'000.	£'000	£'000
Fuel, light, and power used	3,595	6,306	7,201	8,340
Lubricating oil and water used and repairs	2,655	6,208	6,516	7,449
Materials used (including containers)	80,722	154,225	170,224	203,122
Production (net)	65,996	122,406	131,496	158,501
Output	152,968	289,145	315,437	377,412
Land and buildings	42,026	60,265	62,752	66,229
Machinery and plant	38,570	58,537	59,125	65,829

(a) Average over whole year. Includes working proprietors.

(b) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors.

(c) Revised figures.

VICTORIA—MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—VALUE ADDED IN PROCESS OF MANUFACTURE.

Class of Industry.	Year Ended 30th June—			
	1939.	1946.	1947.	1948 (a)
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000
Treatment of non-metalliferous mine and quarry products	1,576	1,615	2,189	3,051
Bricks, pottery, glass, &c.	1,530	1,715	1,886	2,201
Chemicals, dyes, explosives, paints, oils and grease	4,462	7,395	8,208	10,093
Industrial metals, machines, implements and conveyances	16,460	39,165	37,584	47,801
Precious metals, jewellery and plate	547	722	1,044	1,429
Textiles and textile goods (not dress)	6,324	12,415	14,350	17,259
Skins and leather (not clothing or footwear)	1,373	2,331	3,252	3,280
Clothing	7,865	13,237	15,860	18,887
Food, drink and tobacco	12,610	19,696	22,330	25,082
Woodworking and basketware	2,391	4,197	5,090	6,686
Furniture, bedding, &c.	1,281	1,653	2,135	2,682
Paper, stationery, printing, bookbinding, &c.	4,930	7,189	8,566	9,669
Rubber	1,573	2,124	2,542	3,194
Musical instruments	24	36	40	57
Miscellaneous products	722	3,209	3,386	3,840
Heat, light and power	2,328	5,707	3,034	3,290
Total	65,996	122,406	131,496	158,501

(a) Revised figures.

Note.—“ Added Value ” is the source from which provision is made for the following:—salaries and wages, depreciation, taxation, rent, insurance, miscellaneous expenses and profits.

VICTORIA—VALUE OF RECORDED PRODUCTION, 1947-48.

Industry.	Gross Value of Production. (a)	Marketing Costs.	Value at Place of Production.	Costs of Production. (b)	Net Value of Production.	Net Value per Head of Population.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£ s. d.
Primary—						
Agriculture	61,250	5,874	55,376	7,203	48,173	23 5 8
Pastoral	47,144	4,155	42,989	1,675	41,314	19 19 4
Dairying (e)	23,548	877	22,671	2,975	19,696	9 10 4
Poultry and Bee Farming	8,755	669	8,086	1,915	6,171	2 19 8
Trapping, Forestry, and Fisheries	8,676	767	7,909	(c) 530	7,379	3 11 4
Mining.. ..	3,341	244	3,097	800	2,297	1 2 2
Total Primary (e) ..	152,714	12,586	140,128	15,098	125,030	60 8 6
Manufacturing (d) (e) ..	158,501	..	158,501	..	158,501	76 12 0
Total all Industries ..	311,215	12,586	298,629	15,098	283,531	137 0 6

(a) Gross value is defined as the value placed on recorded production at the wholesale price realized in the principal markets. In cases where primary products are absorbed locally, or where they become raw material for secondary industry, these points are presumed to be the principal markets.

(b) Costs of production include stockfeed, seed costs, and pickling, manures, spraying, sheep and cattle dips, power, fuel, water, and all other materials used in production, but exclude depreciation and maintenance costs.

(c) Incomplete.

(d) Manufacturing is included at its net or added value because the gross or wholesale selling value contains so much duplication of products, the finished article of one class of manufacture forming in numerous cases the raw material for others.

(e) Revised figures.

VICTORIA—NET VALUE OF RECORDED PRODUCTION PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

Year.	Industry.							Total.
	Agri- culture.	Pastoral.	Dairying.	Poultry and Bee Farming.	Trapping, Forestry and Fisheries.	Mining.	Manu- facturing.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1937-38 ..	8 0 10	9 19 2	5 12 10	1 11 10	1 2 0	0 18 6	34 17 4	62 2 6
1938-39 ..	2 19 11	8 1 8	5 6 3	1 13 6	0 18 1	0 18 7	35 3 11	55 1 11
1939-40 ..	6 6 0	8 13 10	6 10 6	1 13 6	1 3 1	1 2 4	39 3 2	64 12 5
1940-41 ..	3 14 0	9 14 2	6 16 4	1 4 9	1 12 9	1 6 2	46 7 8	70 15 10
1941-42 ..	7 18 9	10 9 6	6 9 0	1 8 4	2 2 1	1 2 8	56 15 6	86 5 10
1942-43 ..	9 13 0	12 11 4	6 6 6	2 10 1	1 17 6	0 19 1	61 11 7	95 9 1
1943-44 ..	8 1 6	13 2 9	6 19 1	2 12 6	2 11 0	0 15 6	62 0 3	96 2 7
1944-45 ..	7 8 7	12 3 9	7 6 4	2 15 2	2 9 6	0 15 5	61 0 4	93 19 1
1945-46 ..	10 1 8	8 19 7	7 9 2	2 17 4	3 0 0	0 17 3	60 14 7	93 19 7
1946-47 ..	14 6 11	14 0 9	8 16 10	2 15 1	3 3 11	1 0 2	64 9 3	108 12 11
1947-48 (a) ..	23 5 8	19 19 4	9 10 4	2 19 8	3 11 4	1 2 2	76 12 0	137 0 6

(a) Revised figures.

**STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION OF VICTORIA—BROWN COAL WON, BRIQUETTES
MANUFACTURED AND ELECTRICITY GENERATED AND SENT OUT.**

Period.	Brown Coal Won.		Briquettes Manufactured.	Electricity Generated—			Electricity Sent Out from Generating Stations—		
	Yallourn Open Cut.	Yallourn North Open Cut.		Hydro Stations.	Thermal Stations.	Total.	Hydro Stations.	Thermal Stations.	Total.
	Tons'000	Tons'000	Tons'000	kWh millions	kWh millions	kWh millions	kWh millions	kWh millions	kWh millions
1938-39 Year ..	3,643	(a)	400	103·2	824·1	927·3	102·8	739·2	842·0
1945-46 ..	5,449	49	493	185·7	1,408·9	1,594·6	185·2	1,329·1	1,514·3
1946-47 ..	5,618	133	490	206·2	1,484·8	1,691·0	205·8	1,399·0	1,604·8
1947-48 ..	5,994	197	545	230·2	1,674·3	1,904·5	228·0	1,582·1	1,810·1
1948-49 ..	6,235	472	559	183·6	1,964·4	2,148·0	181·2	1,857·8	2,039·0
1947-48—									
March Quarter ..	1,400	45	129	37·0	385·4	422·4	36·6	364·1	400·7
June Quarter ..	1,606	66	141	36·8	494·7	531·5	36·1	469·0	505·1
1948-49—									
September Quarter	1,628	121	143	56·4	493·8	550·2	55·6	467·3	522·9
December Quarter	1,456	100	129	72·7	434·5	507·2	71·9	410·2	482·1
March Quarter ..	1,511	109	139	32·7	472·3	505·0	32·2	447·0	479·2
June Quarter ..	1,640	142	148	21·8	563·8	585·6	21·5	533·3	554·8
1949-50—									
September Quarter	1,683	217	158	44·5	566·5	611·0	43·8	535·3	579·1

(a) No operations during 1938-39.

IX.—MISCELLANEOUS.

**GREATER MELBOURNE (a)—BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED BY MUNICIPALITIES.
(New Series.)**

Period.	New Buildings—				Alterations and Additions.		Total.	
	Dwellings (including Flats, Hotels, &c.).		Other Buildings.					
	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.
		£'000.		£'000.		£'000.		£'000.
1938 Year	5,333	5,318	531	1,641	6,124	1,446	11,988	8,405
1939 " " " "	5,148	5,370	483	1,655	6,113	1,658	11,744	8,683
1940 " " " "	5,686	6,827	410	2,166	5,569	1,462	11,665	10,455
1941 " " " "	6,193	6,849	250	921	5,392	1,403	11,835	9,173
1942 " " " "	262	225	58	260	2,135	636	2,455	1,121
1943 " " " "	80	43	39	513	3,450	550	3,569	1,106
1944 " " " "	263	177	30	126	6,398	895	6,691	1,198
1945 " " " "	1,944	2,059	107	443	6,644	1,046	8,695	3,548
1946 " " " "	7,292	9,875	241	1,314	7,882	1,520	15,415	12,709
1947 " " " "	8,787	13,685	476	2,156	6,664	2,057	15,927	17,898
1948 " " " "	8,531	14,837	371	1,660	6,090	2,217	14,992	18,714
1948—								
March Quarter ..	1,831	3,077	99	274	1,430	728	3,360	4,079
June Quarter ..	2,664	4,589	93	572	1,572	452	4,329	5,613
September Quarter ..	2,067	3,681	90	494	1,614	649	3,771	4,824
December Quarter ..	1,969	3,490	89	320	1,474	388	3,532	4,198
1949—								
March Quarter ..	2,660	4,853	77	691	1,627	478	4,364	6,022
June Quarter ..	3,021	5,723	96	370	1,676	507	4,793	6,600
September Quarter ..	2,662	5,028	67	401	1,810	686	4,539	6,115

(a) The particulars are in respect of municipalities and parts of municipalities in the metropolitan area re-defined from 1st January, 1947. The statement is, therefore, not comparable with information shown on page 30 of the *Quarterly Abstract of Statistics* for December, 1946 (No. 1).

Note—The above statement is exclusive of Government buildings and of building operations by the Housing Commission of Victoria.

VICTORIA—BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED BY TEN(a) PROVINCIAL MUNICIPALITIES.

Period.	New Buildings—				Alterations and Additions.		Total.	
	Dwellings (including Flats, Hotels, &c.)		Other Buildings.					
	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.
		£'000.		£'000.		£'000.		£'000.
1939 Year	647	460	59	107	619	153	1,325	720
1940	481	346	32	197	532	133	1,045	676
1941	424	351	31	100	530	117	985	568
1942	57	41	12	20	264	29	333	90
1943	6	3	11	29	361	46	378	78
1944	30	15	19	23	474	91	523	129
1945	218	206	23	34	646	94	887	334
1946	693	768	39	34	1,096	160	1,828	962
1947	819	1,032	47	99	937	162	1,803	1,293
1948	800	1,203	33	443	832	251	1,665	1,897
1948—								
March Quarter ..	162	237	11	14	194	41	367	292
June Quarter ..	217	318	7	156	198	59	422	533
September Quarter ..	232	345	6	207	212	53	450	605
December Quarter ..	189	303	9	66	228	98	426	467
1949—								
March Quarter ..	255	414	10	236	255	61	520	711
June Quarter ..	313	502	15	189	310	57	638	748
September Quarter ..	263	476	5	48	344	64	612	588

(a) Includes the Cities of Ballarat, Bendigo, Geelong, Geelong West, Horsham, Mildura, Shepparton, and Warrnambool, and the Towns of Newtown and Chilwell, and Sale.

Note.—The above statement is exclusive of Government buildings and of building operations by the Housing Commission of Victoria.

HOUSING COMMISSION OF VICTORIA.

Period.	Contracts Let(a) during Period for the Erection of Dwelling Units.			Dwelling Units Completed during Period.		
	Metropolitan Area.	Outside Metropolitan Area.	Total.	Metropolitan Area.	Outside Metropolitan Area.	Total.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Prior to 1941-42 ..	1,002	135	1,137	714	54	768
1941-42 Year	90	..	90	322	81	403
1942-43	116	..	116	79	..	79
1943-44	323	75	398	118	..	118
1944-45	747	345	1,092	539	115	654
1945-46	1,677	677	2,354	889	204	1,093
1946-47	2,069	930	2,999	893	552	1,445
1947-48	1,281	919	2,200	1,416	809	2,225
1948-49	(b) 1,158	(b) 589	(b) 1,747	1,453	904	2,357
1947-48—						
March Quarter ..	406	169	575	277	183	460
June Quarter ..	264	318	582	357	190	547
1948-49—						
September Quarter ..	(b) 361	(b) 245	(b) 606	423	185	608
December Quarter ..	(b) 170	(b) 123	(b) 293	445	301	746
March Quarter ..	(b) 222	(b) 65	(b) 287	241	184	425
June Quarter ..	(b) 405	(b) 156	(b) 561	344	234	578
1949-50—						
September Quarter ..	(b) 278	(b) 192	(b) 470	445	305	750
Total to 30th September, 1949 ..	(b) 8,741	(b) 3,862	(b) 12,603	6,868	3,024	9,892

(a) Including work performed by day labour. The date of the letting of the first contract was 31st July, 1939.

(b) Subject to revision.

Note.—The above statement is exclusive of houses erected by the Housing Commission of Victoria or the Commonwealth War Workers' Housing Trust, viz., 234 at Sunshine and 34 at Coburg.